

## Amendments to the Specification

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The above described preferred embodiments are intended to illustrate the principles of the invention, but not to limit the scope of the invention. Various other embodiments and modifications to these embodiments may be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the scope of the invention as described.

~~What is claimed is:~~

- ~~1. A method of installing a landscape planting bed, the method comprising the steps of:~~  
  
~~positioning a substantially continuous panel defining a primary water distributing and a~~  
  
~~air holding structure over a base surface in an area which is to contain landscape~~  
  
~~plantings; and~~  
  
~~positioning landscape plants over the substantially continuous panel, wherein the primary~~  
  
~~water distribution structure and air holding structure consists of a porous and laterally~~  
  
~~permeable primary water and air holding distribution material contained within the panel~~  
  
~~and open to receive water from a water source.~~
- ~~2. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of:~~  
  
~~a) positioning a lower boundary material to reside between the base surface and the~~  
  
~~primary water and air holding structure material, the lower boundary material~~  
  
~~comprising a substantially less porous and permeable material having watering~~  
  
~~charging and air holding characteristics different from the water charging and air~~  
  
~~holding characteristics of the primary water and air holding structure material.~~
- ~~3. The method of claim 2 further comprising the step of:~~